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#### AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Masks are requested but not required in all Amana Church Society buildings. Respect the choice of others to wear masks, even if we choose to not mask.

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, May 08, 2022, starting 8:30 AM with Peter Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Ein's ist noth! Ach Herr, dies Eine" No. 241 Seite 233

Testimony: J.F. Rock, Düdelsheim, Jan 21, 1742

Scripture: Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalm: 1

Closing Hymn: "Christum wir sollen loben schon" No. 109, Seite 101

The Late (English) Service will start at 10:00 AM with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "One Thing's Needful; Lord, This Treasure" No. 17

Closing Hymn: "Now Praise We Christ, the Holy One:" No. 37

The Wednesday Evening Prayer (Nachtgebet) meeting will begin at 7:00 PM in Middle.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 AM Service.

#### AMANA ARTS GUILD TO HOST POETRY CELEBRATION

The Amana Arts Guild will be hosting a Poetry, Prose, and Music Celebration on Saturday May 14, 2022 at 7:00pm at the Amana Arts Guild Center, located at 1210 G Street in High Amana. The event will include both new and historic poetry and prose readings, live music, a poetry competition, and more. The celebration is open to the public, and there is no admission fee (donations are welcome).

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 10 from 2:00 to 6:30 and Thursday, May 12 from 2:00 to 6:30. The Drives will be held in the Donor Bus at the Amana Library Parking Lot, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a \$10 gift card & get a tree planted in their name!

Donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID.

Please eat and hydrate before donating. AP-POINTMENTS AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Walk-ins will not be accepted. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate on both days. To sign up, and schedule a time please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org

## FEATHERS IN THE WIND

This is the situation as best as I can tell it without crying from frustration. Amana, Iowa, Thursday, May 05, 2022

#### AMANA SOCIETY, INC. SHAREHOLDER INVITATION

Amana Society Inc. Old and New Class "A" shareholders are invited to enjoy Amana Beef burgers and refreshments prior to the Amana Society Inc. Annual Meeting on May 9th 2022. Food and refreshments will be served in the courtyard area of the Amana Performing Arts Center (formally the Old Creamery Theater) beginning at 5:00 p.m.



# Family Fun Nite is Friday, May 6

Amana's Family Fun Nite is Friday, May 6, yes tonight, at the Amana Elementary School in Middle Amana. Back by popular demand this fun event for kids and their parents is always a great way to kick off spring!

Hosted by the Amana Parent Teacher Organization, \$5 admission for all sorts of fun stuff geared toward pre school through fifth grader kids and their parents. Yes there will be bouncy houses, a photo booth, bingo with amazing prizes, a baked goods walk, silent auction items to share and snacks and concessions to purchase too. It's 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

#### Performing Arts Advocates of Amana

A new group dedicated to helping foster the performing arts in our community is being formed. Are you interested and would you like to help?

Deb Kennedy, is acting chair person, with Meg Merckens as assistant to the chair person. They are part of a group of volunteers working on a mission statement and looking into the formation of a non profit organization. The group has met formally once and is now seeking more volunteers willing to serve on a working board of directors.

While the final mission statement is being drafted, at the highly convivial first meeting of the group they discussed ways to support dramatic arts, musical and dance performances / theatre education in the Amana Colonies. Theatre camps for kids, music or theatre workshops for all ages, theatre performances, dance performances and concerts at any one of the local Amana Colony venues are possible.

As was noted at their meeting last Tuesday evening at Ackerman Winery, the PA Advocates of Amana could help link professionals with venues, perhaps provide volunteer support if needed, provide marketing support if needed and would seek to raise funds via grants and other means to help create opportunities for performances and workshops.

Would you like to join in? Give Emilie Hoppe a call a 319-622-3639 or email at zhoppe@south-slope.net.

# Memorial Day Service

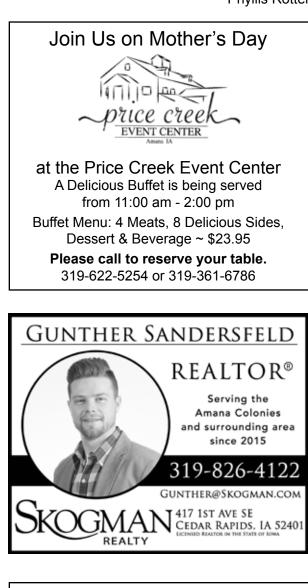
This year Memorial Day Services will be held on Monday, May 30 at 9:30 a.m. at all seven of Amana village cemeteries. The services will be conducted by Elders of the Amana Church.

# THANK YOU

A heartful thank you to my relatives, friends, and neighbors for the cards, flowers, and phone calls during my recent one month stay in the hospital and since returning home. Your kindness and concern was greatly appreciated.

> Thank you again. Phyllis Rotter

No. 10





Garage Sale at Price Creek Event Center May 27 and 28. You are invited to sell your no longer wanted items. ~ tables for your displays \$15 each ~ plenty of parking ~ set up Wed 10am - 8pm & Thurs 10am - 8pm ~ BBQ and beverages. For more details call 319-622-5254

A few weeks ago my daughter-in-law decided to help Charlemagne and me do some deep cleaning. You have to understand that what with my cancer, COVID, Charlemagne's heart attack, the fact that I am not exactly steady on my feet and that certain one of us that likes to play in the dirt thus bringing soil into the house with him not to mention the cookie crumbs, etc., plus cats (need I say more).

Anyway the house got a good cleaning. Spices and food products that were long out dated got tossed. Items that once we that had been lost for good were found. I discovered I did not need anymore cleaning supplies for the next decade because I had stored items like "Comet" under the bathroom and kitchen sinks plus the utility closet. I also do not need regular size bandages although adhesive tape seems to be at a premium.

If you need twin sized sheets let me know. Charlemagne will also tell you that I seem to have collected a quantity of kitchen supplies because *Feathers continues on page 2* 

#### Maifest Memories 2022

Weather forecasts were unfavorable but the Amana volunteers who make Maifest happen were undaunted and the annual spring festival that kicks off summer went off with just a couple of modifications because of rainy weather.

This year featured extra helpings of dance. Friday night the Amana Maipole Folk Dancers performed at Millstream Brewing Co. helping to launch a new spring brew in honor of the dancers. And this year for the first time the Native Pride dancers were here.

Saturday though the rain held off a bit and the parade went on as planned as cheerfully and colorfully as always, the Maipole dancers performed in the Festhalle when necessary. The pony rides had to be cancelled and the Kinderplatz crafts and games were moved to the Amana Colonies

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FOR RENT: Graduation Parties,<br/>Reunions, social gatherings, meetingsThe Homestead Welfare Club (4215 V St. Home-<br/>stead), offers an exceptional 1100 sq. ft. meeting or<br/>gathering room in our historic 1860's home. It in-<br/>cludes a mini kitchen, tables and chairs for 80+ per-<br/>sons plus a ½ acre private, beautifully shaded back<br/>yard with picnic tables and small shelter, perfect for<br/>outdoor activities. Rental is \$75/day. An additional<br/>500 sq. ft. full-service kitchen is available for an ad-<br/>ditional \$25.

Call 319-622-3620 for details and scheduling.

# Feathers from page 1

I did not have the heart to throw out my mother's supplies. (Yes, I did get rid of a lot of things, but not ALL.)

The trouble now is finding where we put things. One of the main problems is the clothes iron. How can one misplace that heavy, bulky item?

We finally went to a national chain store (the name I will not mention) Friday to buy another iron along with a new set of queen sized sheets. The twin sheets will not work, which brings one to wonder why I kept them.

Well after over an hour of going through the store and finding that they had moved items around making it harder to find things (no doubt to keep us lost in hopes we would buy items on impulse).

Okay, I'll admit we haven't been shopping there for awhile.

We went to the check out. I was upset because of this self-check out. It takes awhile to find the barcode and then to see if it's registered correctly.

We got it all done because Charlemagne hates to hear me grinding my teeth and mumbling so he takes over.

The trouble was it refused to take out charge card. We did get a clerk who couldn't get the machine to work either.

Finally, after going to the only register in the store with a clerk and waiting in line, he wrote a check. Well, the clerk was obviously not well trained because the check didn't go through. She then said that Charlemagne didn't have sufficient funds.

WRONG thing to say. This is a man who does the checkbook, bank statement not only weekly, but every few days.

He got upset, put the bags down and stormed off, then turned around because he had forgotten me.

We are still minus an iron. I suppose life will go on, but please don't ask Charlemagne how he likes the store on 29th Ave SW (South of Westdale) in Cedar Rapids.

B.S.H.

## GARAGE SALE

Walford City-Wide Garage Sales Saturday, May 14<sup>™</sup> Some may be held on Friday.

#### SERVICES

Spring Lawn Clean-up; Lawn Aeration; Lawn Thatching; Lawn Mowing; Lawn Rolling: Spring Garden Tilling. Call Robb Jeck at 319-622-3308

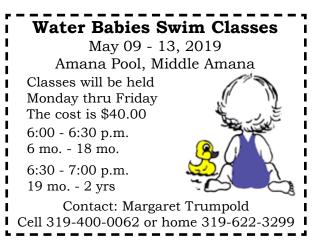
#### **HELP WANTED**

LINE COOK Millstream Brau Haus, Full-time (benefits included) or Part-time Starting immediately (319) 622-7332

Hometown Lawncare and Landscaping, wanted full time help, must have valid driver's licence. Call 319-622-3417 and leave message.

# WANTED/WANTED TO BUY

BUYING All ANTIQUES; Toys, Furniture, Crocks, Paintings, Advertising Signs, and Weird Items "any condition." Buying Entire Estates, call for fair pricing. Please call 319-270-1251.



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Visitor Center. The front lawn party at the Ronneburg was a no go, but folks moved inside to celebrate. This swelled the Festhalle crowd who enjoyed not only the German folk dancing but the Robert Thomas Dancenter Irish folk dance performance Saturday and all the good food at the Festhalle.

Sunday the Native Pride dancers performed traditional Native American dances and this was a big hit with visitors. This was their first appearance at Maifest and all hope they return next year.

Dana Jensen, the Amana Colonies Festivals events manager, was pleased despite the weather challenges, "Overall I think Maifest went very well. The weather was not ideal but the rain did stay away for the parade and most of the Maipole dancers' performances. The Festhalle was busy pretty much all day on Saturday and I know there was a good sized crowd for the wine walk on Sunday."

Merchants and volunteers agree that Maifest 2022 was a festive, good time in spite of the raindrops. As one volunteer said Monday, "We had fun! And really after the last couple of Covid years it was so great to be out and about with friends and just enjoying our community festival."

# AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT

Notice of Board of Trustees Meeting and Tentative Agenda May 9, 2022 - 7:00 p.m. Amana Heritage Society Museum Auditorium – 705 44th Ave. And via Zoom link I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Set Agenda

III. Review/Approve March 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes (there was no April BOT meeting).

IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda.

V. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

a. 2022-027. Hannah Brown / 111 220th Trail South Amana. HP-R. Renovate the old communal kitchen building. 1) Relocate main (east) entry door to its original position/re-using existing door and storm door. 2) Convert the far southwest window to a second exit door/storm door out the back (west) side. 3) Replace entire (east) porch floor with treated lumber while intending to keep the porch railings. 4) Replace all 1960-era vinyl windows with Amana compliant vinyl windows. All windows would be 6 over 6, with exception of northwest one which would be 9 over 6. 5) Install a cobblestone area with Amana compliant wooden steps leading down from the (new) west door. Trellis panels could be established to provide visual privacy to the back yard. The growth of vining plants on the panels would enhance the privacy. 6) Replacing existing "faux brick" asbestos siding with white vinyl siding to match current east side street facing siding, with the "reveal" width is the same as the existing white siding. 7)

#### OBITUARY

Margaret Ann "Maggie" Geiger, age 77 of Walford, formerly of Amana, passed away Sunday, May 1, 2022. Funeral Services were Wednesday, May 4, 2022, Middle Amana Church, Middle Amana, with Elder Alan Trumpold officiating. Burial was in the Amana Cemetery. Memorials may be contributed to Camp Courageous in memory of Margaret. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo assisted the family with arrangements.

Margaret is survived by her sons, Stephen of Amana, and Scott of San Mateo, CA; three grandchildren, Abigail, Nicole and Gabriel Geiger of San Mateo, CA; her siblings, Darlene Bartosh of Walford, and Theresa Holub (Dan) and their daughter Kellie, also of Walford. She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Irene Rettig, and inlaws Harry and Johanna Geiger.

Margaret Ann Rettig Geiger was born June 17, 1944 in Amana, Iowa, the daughter of George F. Rettig and Irene Mouchka Rettig. She received her education in the Amana schools graduating for Amana High School in 1962. She and Harlan C. Geiger were married on August 24, 1963 at the Amana Church. Maggie worked for Die Heimat for several years as a front desk clerk and a maid. She then was employed with the Amana schools as a cook. Lastly she owned and operated Oma's Haus Gift Shop. Maggie especially loved and enjoyed her children and grandchildren. She liked sitting in the sun, reading, and working crossword puzzles. She also enjoyed the "shop 'til you drop" activities with her family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

Online condolences: www.klosterfuneralhome.com

## OBITUARY

Scott Charles Hagen of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, passed away Saturday, July 24, 2021, at the age of 60.

Scott was born on May 7, 1961, in Cedar Rapids, lowa, to Richard and Lillian (Roemig) Hagen. He grew up on the family farm outside of Homestead, lowa. As a child, he attended St. John's Lutheran church in rural Homestead.

He graduated from Williamsburg High School, before farming in Iowa county. He earned a BSE degree in Civil Engineering with Honors at the University of Iowa and a PhD in Civil Engineering at the University of Notre Dame. He earned numerous honors of distinction including Diplomate of Coastal Engineering (D.CE), Diplomate of Water Resources Engineering (D.WRE), Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers (F.ASCE), and Member of Tau Beta Pi. Scott was inducted into the University of Iowa College of Engineering Distinguished Engineering Alumni Academy in 2016 and delivered the "Charge to the Graduates" at Commencement.

Scott and Denise Elizabeth DeLorme were united in marriage on December 18, 1999 in Athens, GA.

He focused his personal and professional life on the betterment of relationships, a life well-lived, research and the environment.

Scott achieved tenure at the University of Central Florida and was later awarded an Endowed Chair at Louisiana State University. He had a legacy of encouraging academic success among his numerous students including PhD candidates. As a PhD, PE, F.ASCE and Louisiana Sea Grant Laborde Chair, he traveled the world to attend conferences, conduct lectures and enjoy the sites. Scott was an avid supporter of the IIHR, Hancher, and the University of lowa in general. Scott was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Richard Jr., sister-in-law Joyce and brotherin-law, Robin. He is survived by his wife Denise, his sisters Patricia (Gary) Coleman and Shelly Blaylock, his brother Blake Hagen, and nieces, nephews and grand-nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be 4:30 pm on Saturday, May 7th, 2022 at the Powell Funeral Home in Williamsburg. Visitation will be from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Saturday. Scott has been buried at the Ramsey Creek Preserve in South Carolina. The family requests that donations be made to www.upstateforever.org or an environmental group of your choosing. Messages and tributes may be directed to www.powellfuneralhomes.com.

# FOR RENT

1 bed room Apartment for rent South Amana. No smoking, references required, background check. Call Larry at 319-540-9351 Also have a room for rent, shared bath and common area.

# THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who came out to support Maifest this year despite the cold and rainy weather. I especially want to thank everyone who participated in the Parade and the Maipole Dancers. This year's Parade winners are: Best Use of Theme - Bankhaus, Most Humorous - Schanz Furniture, Judge's Choice - Amana Meat Shop, Honorable Mention - Warped and Woven Mill Mercantile. Thanks for making Maifest 2022 a success. -

Dana Jensen, Amana Colonies Festivals Inc

Parking in the back (west side) must be established with a minimum of two parking spots. This building has an area of 880 sq ft. The renovation will include an extra layer of sound insulation on the shared wall. Hannah has already contacted the Museum and no direct photos of the communal kitchen could be found, only indirect photos that showed it with the building to the south.

VI. Other Business.

a. Discussion/Action: 606 39th Ave Amana potential mixed use, both residential and commercial. Currently C-1 Non-Historic.(Former Chiropractor building)

b. Discussion/Action: ACLUD Fee Schedule for 2022

VII. Review/Approve April Disbursements Report.

VIII. Review/Approve April Treasurer's Report.

IX. President's Report

X. Administrator's Report.

XI. Adjourn.

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